

HOUSE RESOLUTION 464  
By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to commend Katie Wright upon being named  
National Safety Patroller of the Year by the AAA  
School Safety Patrol.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding students who have dedicated themselves to improving safety in their respective schools and communities; and

WHEREAS, Katie Wright, a fifth grade student at Randolph Howell Elementary School in Columbia, is one such remarkable young lady who has recently been named National Safety Patroller of the Year by the AAA School Safety Patrol; and

WHEREAS, the AAA Safety Patrol program is a program that enlists the assistance of select students who volunteer to help younger students as they cross the street on their way to and from school and who help to protect their fellow classmates against traffic hazards; and

WHEREAS, there are 500,00 AAA School Safety Patrollers throughout the Nation, and each of the 70 AAA Clubs submits a nomination for the honor of National Safety Patroller of the Year; and

WHEREAS, only in her first year of participation in the Safety Patrol, Katie has exemplified the characteristics of leadership and volunteerism and has exhibited outstanding safety skills and school involvement; and

WHEREAS, Paula Ensinger, Safety Patrol Coordinator at Randolph Howell Elementary School, describes Katie as always having a nice word for each parent she encounters and also as a very dependable, organized, and prepared student who is always on time and does a fantastic job; and

WHEREAS, Katie takes her Safety Patrol duties very seriously, always looking for possible dangers and paying very close attention to the students as they arrive at and leave school; and

WHEREAS, a great role model for her peers, Katie is not only a conscientious Safety Patroller, she is a stellar student as well, having maintained perfect attendance and having earned "Highest Honors" for obtaining all As; and

WHEREAS, Katie is very active in many school organizations, including 4-H and Junior Achievement, which she served as the Vice President of the Bank at Exchange City; and

WHEREAS, a gifted vocalist, Katie is a member of the 5th Grade Chorus and has participated in the Maury County Fine Arts/Music Festival at Columbia State Community College; and

WHEREAS, possessing a wide array of talents, Katie is also involved in Basketball and Softball with the Maury County Parks and Recreation Leagues, and she has participated in PTA Programs; and

WHEREAS, Katie also contributes her many talents and delightful attitude to her church as a participant in the Young Musicians Church Choir, where she is a lead soloist, and the Girls' Auxiliary; and

WHEREAS, even though she is only in fifth grade, Katie already displays the Volunteer spirit that is characteristic of a true Tennessean, as she has helped in the Servants' Heart Canned Food Drive, participated in the Jump Rope for Heart program and Christmas caroling at the local Assisted Living/Nursing Home, and tutors younger students; and

WHEREAS, Katie's myriad accomplishments certainly serve as a great source of pride for her mother, Karen Lee, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, Katie epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated student, compassionate public servant, and reliable friend; and

WHEREAS, Katie Wright is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State", and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Katie Wright upon being named AAA National Safety Patroller of the Year and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.